
Subject: data merge

Posted by [Hejie Wang](#) on Thu, 11 Jul 2024 04:22:53 GMT

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I would like to know whether the survey code of DHS is consistent with the GPS code. For example, the code of DHS data is BFKR62DT, then the GPS code must also be BFGE62FL?

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Posted by [Rose-DHS](#) on Thu, 11 Jul 2024 16:57:47 GMT

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Not necessarily, as the release version number/letter may be different if newer versions of the GE file or recode files were released. The file naming convention can be found in more detail here: <https://dhsprogram.com/data/File-Types-and-Names.cfm>. There is a short video on this page that may be helpful: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=puCCqGU71uM>

Another way to check what datasets belong to the same survey is to navigate to the survey page. You can see all the surveys by navigating to <https://dhsprogram.com/data/available-datasets.cfm>, and for the dataset you are interested in, select the link under Survey Datasets. This will provide all the relevant survey dataset names for that particular survey. Here is the link for the Burkina Faso 2010 DHS: https://dhsprogram.com/data/dataset/Burkina-Faso_Standard-DHS_2010.cfm?flag=1. You'll see that the GE file name is BFGE61FL, while the children's recode file name is BFKR62DT for the Stata dataset.
